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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Spendier et al.

Application No.: 09/286,037

Group Art Unit: 1761

Filed: April 5, 1999

Examiner: L. Wong

For: Preparation Of Dough And Baked Products

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2000 wherein the Examiner requested Applicants to elect one of two (2) designated groups.

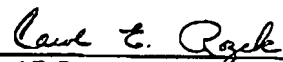
In response to this requirement, Applicants hereby elect with traverse the invention of Group I (claims 1-13), drawn to a process for preparing a dough, the dough itself, and the premix. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a continuing application directed to the nonelected subject matter.

The basis for traverse is that there would not be a serious burden on the examiner if restriction were not required. Each of the two designated inventions is classified in Class 426.

The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this response or application.

Respectfully submitted,

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